

# Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

100 East Erie Street  
Chicago, IL 60611



## Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 16, 2008

10:00 AM

Board Room

## Board of Commissioners

*Commissioner Frank Avila, Commissioner Patricia Horton, Chairman of Finance  
Gloria Alitto Majewski, Commissioner Barbara J. McGowan, Vice-President Kathleen  
Therese Meany, Commissioner Cynthia M. Santos, Commissioner Debra Shore,  
Commissioner Patricia Young, President Terrence J. O'Brien*

### **THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES WILL GOVERN THE MEETING PROCESS:**

- 1. Board Members who vote "Nay, Present, or Abstain" or have a question on any item  
may request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda.*
- 2. Citizens in the audience who address the Board on any item may request the item be  
removed from the Consent Agenda.*
- 3. Items removed from the Consent Agenda are considered separately.*
- 4. One roll call vote is taken to cover all Consent Agenda Items.*

**Call to Order**

President O' Brien presiding, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

**Roll Call**

**Present:** 9 - Frank Avila; Patricia Horton; Gloria Alitto Majewski; Barbara J. McGowan; Kathleen Therese Meany; Cynthia M. Santos; Debra Shore; Patricia Young; and Terrence J. O'Brien

**Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes**

A motion was made by Gloria Alitto Majewski, seconded by Debra Shore, that the minutes from the last meeting be approved without having to read them into the record. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

**Recess and Reconvene as Board of Commissioners**

At 11:40 a.m. President O'Brien reconvened the regular board meeting to order

**Finance Committee****Authorization**

1      [08-2150](#)      Authority to add Project 07-162-2S, Westdale Gardens Pumping Station and Force Main, SSA, located in Proviso Township to the Engineering Department Capital Improvements Program and the Corporate and Construction Funds, estimated cost of the project is \$2,120,000.00

**Approved**

2      [08-2157](#)      Authority to transfer 2008 departmental appropriations in the amount of \$230,000.00 in the Corporate Fund

**Approved**

**Purchasing Committee****Report**

3      [08-2108](#)      Report on rejection of bids for Contract 08-995-11 Furnish and Deliver Three Rotary Tillers to the Lawndale Avenue Solids Management Area, estimated cost \$75,000.00

**Published and Filed**

4      [08-2111](#)      Report on rejection of bids for Contract 08-689-13, Group D (Re-Bid) Services to Maintain, Test and Upgrade Underground Storage Tanks at Various Locations, estimated cost \$28,000.00

**Published and Filed**

5      [08-2119](#)      Report of bid opening of Tuesday, September 30, 2008

**Published and Filed**

6      [08-2134](#)      Report on the correction of a typographical error in the board transmittal letter for authority to advertise for Contract 08-423-11 Provide Bus Transportation Services for a Twelve (12) Month Period, estimated cost \$20,000.00, Account 101-15000-612330, Requisition 1247916

**Published and Filed**

**Authorization**

7      [08-2149](#)      Authorization to increase cost estimate for Contract 07-163-3M R&D Building HVAC Improvements, Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, from \$6,500,000.00 to \$7,400,000.00, Account 401-50000-645680 and 645780, Requisition 1245114

**Approved**

8      [08-2152](#)      Authorization to forfeit Contract 08-030-11 Furnish and Deliver Lubricants to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, Items 2 and 3, to Applied Industrial Technologies, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$61,185.00, Account 101-20000-623860

**Approved**

**Authority to Advertise**

9      [08-2094](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 08-012-11 Furnish and Deliver Paint, Brushes, Solvents and Stains to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, estimated cost \$61,500.00, Account 101-20000-623190

**Approved**

10     [08-2097](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 09-696-11, Services of Tractor-Mounted Paddle Aerators with Tillers for Material Handling at the Lawndale Avenue Solids Management Area, estimated cost \$550,000.00, Account 101-66000-612520, Requisition 1253600

**Approved**

11     [08-2098](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 09-980-11 Rehabilitation of Wastewater Treatment Tanks at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost \$2,551,000.00, Account 101-69000-612650, Requisition 1255667

**Approved**

12      [08-2107](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 09-670-11 Preventative Maintenance and Repair of Debris and Pontoon Boats at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost \$200,000.00, Account 101-66000-612790, Requisition 1252105

**Approved**

13      [08-2146](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 07-028-3S Harms Road 2 Sewer Rehabilitation, North Service Area, estimated cost \$5,400,000.00, Account 401-50000-645700, Requisition 1256364

**Approved**

14      [08-2148](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 09-021-11 Furnish and Deliver Unleaded Gasoline to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, estimated cost \$1,051,000.00, Accounts 101-20000, 66000-623820

**Approved**

**Issue Purchase Order**

15      [08-2117](#)      Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates, Inc., for the annual assessment of steel piping at the Mainstream Pumping Station, in an amount of \$19,726.00, Account 101-69000-612600, Requisition 1255733

**Approved**

16      [08-2120](#)      Issue purchase order for Contract 08-863-2C, Furnishing, Delivering and Installing Two (2) Trailer Mounted, Environmentally Sensitive, Construction Monitoring Cameras, to EarthCam, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$90,380.40, Account 201-50000-634810, Requisition 1247331

**Deleted by the General Superintendent**

17      [08-2125](#)      Issue a purchase order to DLT Solutions, Inc., for the renewal of the Autodesk Subscription Program, in an amount not to exceed \$51,826.18, Account 201-50000-612820, Requisition 1255131

**Approved**

18      [08-2131](#)      Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Hyundai Ideal Electric Co., to Replace, Setup, and Program an Obsolete Robicon ECC Controller, at the Egan Water Reclamation Plant, in an amount not to exceed \$13,900.00, Account 101-67000-612650, Requisition 1255012

**Approved**

19      [08-2133](#)      Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Networkcar, Inc., for Maintenance of the Vehicle Location System for District Vehicles, in an amount not to exceed \$134,000.00, Account 101-15000-612860, Requisition 1255745

**Approved**

20      [08-2145](#)      Issue purchase orders to Haworth, Inc., c/o Business Office Systems, Inc., for Furnishing, Delivering and Installing Office Furniture under the U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance to Various Locations, in an amount not to exceed \$34,533.52, Accounts 101-66000,67000,69000-623520, Requisitions 1252046, 1252886, 1241138, 1241693 and 1233483 (As Revised)

Approved

#### Award Contract

21      [08-2122](#)      Authority to award Contract 08-002-12 Furnish and Deliver Cylinder Gases to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, to The Welding Center, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$71,844.00, Account 101-20000-623840

Approved

22      [08-2124](#)      Authority to award Contract 08-813-12 (Re-Bid) Services to Furnish, Deliver, and Install Air Filters, and Clean Air Handling Units and Coils in the Calumet Service Area, to Anchor Mechanical, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$287,550.00, Account 101-68000-612680, Requisition 1229435 (As Revised)

Approved

#### Increase Purchase Order/Change Order

23      [08-2092](#)      Authority to increase purchase order to United Parcel Service, to Furnish and Deliver Shipment of Samples for the Environmental Monitoring and Research Division, in an amount of \$5,500.00, from an amount of \$7,000.00, to an amount not to exceed \$12,500.00, Account 101-16000-612040, Purchase Order 8004939

Approved

24      [08-2093](#)      Authority to increase purchase order for Contract 07-100-11 for Preventive Maintenance and Repairs of Two Industrial Waste Division Pollution Control Boats, to Marine Services Corporation, in an amount of \$167,937.00, from an amount of \$155,000.00, to an amount not to exceed \$322,937.00, Accounts 101-16000-612790 and 101-16000-623990, Purchase Order 3047821

Approved

25      [08-2099](#)      Authority to decrease Contract 06-633-11 Furnishing and Delivering Polymer to the Stickney and Egan Water Reclamation Plants, to Polydyne, Inc., in an amount of \$874,592.75, from an amount of \$7,986,600.00, to an amount not to exceed \$7,112,007.25, Accounts 101-67000/69000-623560, Purchase Orders 5000544 and 5000545

Approved

26      [08-2100](#)      Authority to increase Contract 07-690-11 Services for Beneficial Reuse of Biosolids from the Egan Water Reclamation Plant and Lawndale Avenue Solids Management Area, to Stewart Spreading, Inc. (Group A) in an amount of \$120,000.00, from an amount of \$726,000.00 to an amount not to exceed \$846,000.00, Account 101-67000-612520, Purchase Order 5000707  
**Approved**

27      [08-2140](#)      Authority to increase Contract 00-473-1D (Re-bid) Replace Casework, Fume Hoods, and Miscellaneous Work, John E. Egan WRP to IHC/KED, a Joint Venture, in an amount of \$3,922.74, from an amount of \$7,361,540.38 to an amount not to exceed \$7,365,463.12, Accounts 101-50000-612680, 201-50000-645680, and 401-50000-645780, Purchase Order 5000624  
**Approved**

28      [08-2142](#)      Authority to increase Contract 05-144-3D, Lagoon 23 Lining & Lysimeters Installation, LASMA, HASMA & CWRP, to T. J. Lambrecht Construction, Inc., in an amount of \$792,190.00, from an amount of \$10,106,342.91 to an amount not to exceed \$10,898,532.91, Accounts 401-50000-645650 and 645750, Purchase Order 5000848  
**Approved**

29      [08-2143](#)      Authority to increase Contract 04-824-2P, Tertiary Filter Rehabilitation, Pump VFDs and Other Plant Improvements at the Egan, Hanover Park, and Kirie WRPs, with IHC Construction Companies, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$89,723.70, from an amount of \$16,074,400.00 to an amount not to exceed \$16,164,123.70, Accounts 401-50000-645650 and 645750, Purchase Order 5000803  
**Approved**

30      [08-2144](#)      Authority to increase purchase order to Jacks Rental, Inc., Rental of Special Equipment for the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, in an amount of \$18,000.00, from an amount of \$7,000.00 to an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00, Account 101-69000-612330, Purchase Order 8005149  
**Approved**

31      [08-2147](#)      Authority to decrease purchase order and amend the agreement with HDR Engineering, Inc. for professional engineering services for Contract 07-029-5C, North Branch of the Chicago River Detailed Watershed Plan - Phase A in an amount of \$51,380.33, from an amount of \$183,365.91, to an amount not to exceed \$131,985.58, Account 501-50000-601410, Purchase Order 3048295  
**Approved**

32      [08-2153](#)      Authority to increase Contract 04-294-3M Calumet TARP Valve Isolation and Pump Station Improvements, Calumet WRP, to Kenny Construction Company, in an amount of \$11,450.98, from an amount of \$59,477,496.56 to an amount not to exceed \$59,488,947.54. Account 401-50000-645600, Purchase Order 5000309

**Approved**

33      [08-2154](#)      Authority to increase purchase order and amend the agreement for Emergency Contract 08-900-05, Dewater, Inspect and Otherwise Recommission the Racine Avenue Pumping Station, to Divane Bros. Electric Co., in the amount of \$1,485,000.00 from an amount of \$25,000.00 to an amount of \$1,510,000.00, Account 901-30000-667220, Purchase Order 5000924

**Approved**

## **Engineering Committee**

### **Report**

34      [08-2113](#)      Report on the Forfeiture on Contract 00-275-2V (REBID), New Research and Development Building, Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, Chicago, Illinois

**Deferred by Gloria Alitto Majewski**

35      [08-2116](#)      Report on change orders authorized and approved by the Chief Engineer during the months of August and September 2008

**Published and Filed**

### **Authorization**

36      [08-2112](#)      Authority to approve and execute license for underground pipelines, cables and conduits from the Illinois Central Railroad Company for the 39th Street Conduit Rehabilitation Phase I Bypass Tunnel, SSA (ROW File No. 8, Contract 01-103-2S), consideration \$9,900.00, Accounts 401-50000-667340 and 612490

**Approved**

37      [08-2155](#)      Authority to enter into extraterritorial service agreement with the City of Chicago for an area of O'Hare International Airport in DuPage County, outside the territorial limits of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

*Gloria Alitto Majewski lifted her earlier deferral*

**Approved**

**Judiciary Committee****Authorization**

38      [08-2114](#)      Authority to pay the Award in the Workers' Compensation Claims of Anthony Kovacevich vs. MWRDGC, #07WC 27516 and 27517, Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission in the sum of \$65,094.70. Account 901-30000-601090

Approved

**Maintenance & Operations Committee****Authorization**

39      [08-2141](#)      Authority to Declare an Emergency affecting Public Health and Safety for Services and Materials to Repair Aeration Blower No. 4 Motor at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, Contract 08-900-06, Midwest Service Center, L.L.C., estimated cost \$200,000.00, Account 101-69000-612650, Requisition 1256374

Approved

**Pension, Personnel Relations & Civil Service Committee****Authorization**

40      [08-2118](#)      Authority for approval of retiree recognition program

Approved

**Real Estate Development Committee****Authorization**

41      [08-2135](#)      Authority to issue a 4-month permit extension to Northeastern Fruit Market, Inc. to use .13 acres of District land located at 6000 North Lincoln Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and identified as North Shore Channel Atlas Parcel 8.08, consideration shall be \$6,900.00

Approved

42      [08-2136](#)      Authority to issue a 5-year permit extension to NeighborSpace to continue to use for access and passive recreational purposes, approximately 1.50 acres of District land lying along the east bank of the North Branch of the Chicago River between Montrose and Berteau Avenues in Chicago, Illinois, consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

Approved

43      [08-2137](#)      Authority to amend Board Order of September 4, 2008, authorizing the issuance of a 1-year permit extension to Chevron Environmental Services Company (CESC) for the use of approximately 60 acres of District real estate located east of the Main Channel in unincorporated Will County, Illinois, and known as Main Channel Atlas Parcels 16.01, 16.02, 16.05, and the southernmost portion of 16.03 to reflect the name change of the permittee to Chevron Environmental Management Company (CEMC), consideration shall be a \$2,000.00 document preparation fee

**Approved**

44      [08-2139](#)      Authority to issue 14-day permits to the City of Blue Island and the Village of Calumet Park for the use of District land located along the south and north banks of the Calumet-Sag Channel for the purpose of hosting the Southland Regatta, a collegiate women's rowing event. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

**Approved**

## **Stormwater Management Committee**

### **Authorization**

45      [08-2128](#)      Request for General Policy Direction Regarding Authority to Dissolve Drainage Districts Pursuant to the Cook County Stormwater Management Act and for Specific Direction Regarding Dissolution of Calumet Union Drainage District No. 1

*(Refer to Motion Agenda item # 50 File ID# 08-2205)*

**A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, that this Agenda Item be Approved. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 8 - Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Gloria Alitto Majewski, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Patricia Young, Terrence J. O'Brien

**Absent:** 1 - Kathleen Therese Meany

## **Miscellaneous and New Business**

### **Resolution**

46      [08-2123](#)      RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners declaring October 19-25, 2008 as National Save for Retirement Week

**A motion was made by Gloria Alitto Majewski, seconded by Patricia Young, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays**

47      [08-2132](#)      RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners celebrating the Cosmopolitan Chamber of Commerce's 40th Annual Award Gala

**A motion was made by Gloria Alitto Majewski, seconded by Patricia Young, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays**

#### **Additional Agenda Items**

48      [08-2193](#)      Authority to award Contract 08-030-11 Furnish and Deliver Lubricants to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period for Items 2 and 3, to Parent Petroleum, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$90,840.00, Account 101-20000-623860

**Approved**

49      [08-2200](#)      RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners welcoming the Water Environment Federation to Chicago for the 81st Annual Technical Exhibition and Conference

**Adopted**

#### **Approval of the Consent Agenda with the exception of Items: 16, 34, 45, 46 and 47**

**A motion was made by Gloria Alitto Majewski, seconded by Cynthia M. Santos, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 8 - Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Gloria Alitto Majewski, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Patricia Young, Terrence J. O'Brien

**Absent:** 1 - Kathleen Therese Meany

50      [08-2205](#)      MOTION to consider dissolution of Drainage District on a case to case basis and to gather information with respect to dissolution of Calumet Union Drainage District No. 1

*(Refer to Agenda item # 45 File ID# 08-2128)*

**A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, that this Motion be Adopted. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 8 - Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Gloria Alitto Majewski, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Patricia Young, Terrence J. O'Brien

**Absent:** 1 - Kathleen Therese Meany

#### **Meeting Summary**

**Speakers**

*Tim Drew ICMA-RC accepted resolution decalring October 19-25, 2008 as National Save for Retirement Week (Re: Miscellaneous & New Business Item: 46)*

*Carmice Carey accepted resolution celebrating the Cosmopolitan Chamber of Commerce's 40th Annual Award Gala (Re: Miscellaneous & New Business Item: 47)*

*Abe Lentner Village of Richton Park, presented T.I.F. Check to MWRDGC*

*Mary K. Duggan Attorney, asked that all drainage districts be considered when developing a drainage dissolution policy (Re: Stormwater Management Item: 45)*

*Don Bach Alderman City of Park Ridge, addressed the board regarding flooding in City of Park Ridge ( Re: Miscellaneous & New Business)*

**Summary of Requests**

*Frank Avila requested a report be submitted to the board on all contracts that do not meet completion requirements (Re:Engineering Item: 34)*

*Barbara McGowan requested a report on the forfeiture of a previous contract prior to contract completion with Rausch Construction Co. Inc. (Re:Engineering Item: 34)*

*Gloria Alitto Majewski asked that future Board Transmittal Letters state the amount of the annual service charge to be paid to the District (Re: Engineering Item: 37)*

*President O'Brien asked that the District look at all Drainage Districts (Re: Stormwater Management Item: 45)*

*Cynthia M. Santos requested that staff work with Alderman Don Bach regarding Stormwater Management issues (Re: Miscellaneous & New Business)*

**Study Session**

*None*

**Announcements**

*None*

**Board Letter Submission Dates**

**The next regular board meeting is scheduled for November 6, 2008, please prepare and submit Board items before the following absolute cutoff dates.**

**Date agenda items are due to the Purchasing Agent for signature and preparation: October 27, 2008**

**Date Board letters are due to the General Superintendent: 1:00 p.m., October 30, 2008**

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Gloria Alitto Majewski, that when the Board adjourns it adjourns to meet on Thursday, November 6, 2008, at 10:00 a.m. and that today's meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

/s/ Jacqueline Torres  
Clerk

**APPROVAL:**

In accordance with the provisions of 70ILCS 2605/4, each of the foregoing agenda items duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago this October 16, 2008, are hereby approved.

**APPROVED:**

/s/ Terrence J. O'Brien  
President Board of Commissioners of the  
Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

October 16, 2008